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EVOLUTION OF A HAIR REGION, AND MORE PARTICULARLY OF THE HUMAN SCALP

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 4, line 1, delete "or 3".

Claim 5, line 1, change "any one of Claims 2 to 4" to --Claim 2--.

Claim 6, line 1, change "any one of Claims 2 to 4" to --Claim 2--.

Claim 8, line 1, change "any one of Claims 2 to 7" to --Claim 2--.

Claim 9, line 1, change "any one of Claims 2 to 8" to --Claim 2--.

Claim 10, lines 1-2, change "any one of preceding claims" to --Claim 1--.

Claim 15, lines 1-2, change "any one of Claims 12 to 14" to --Claim 12--.

Claim 16, lines 1-2, change "any one of Claims 12 to 15" to --Claim 12--.

<u>REMARKS</u>

The above amendments are made to place the claims in a more traditional format.

Respectfully submitted,

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